

Chain O' Lakes State Park Winter Programs November – January 1
Stanley Schoolhouse Open: Program Saturdays 11:00 to 2:00
All Programs meet at the heated Stanley Schoolhouse.

Saturday, November 3

11:00a: Schoolyard Scavenger Hunt This activity is designed for preschool and elementary-aged children. Find and collect different natural items outside around the Schoolhouse. Once you have finished the hunt, bring your list back to the Naturalist for a Smokey Bear prize!

1:00p: Snake Talk Come and meet the park's resident Black Rat Snake! He is ready to retire for the winter. This is your last chance until 2013 to get up-close and touch the snake! 30 min

Sunday, November 4

Stanley Schoolhouse Open 10:00-2:00

The Schoolhouse will be closed on Sundays for the winter. Stop in and visit one last time!

Saturday, November 10

10:00a: Leave it to Beaver This short, moderate walk features both a beaver lodge and dam. Discover the engineering skills of the beaver and see how they impact the landscape. Sandals not recommended. In the event of rain, we'll go inside the Schoolhouse for a beaver talk. 1 hr

1:00p: Turkey Craft This activity is perfect for children of all ages! We'll create an easy turkey by tracing our hands! Take your turkey home and decorate the table. 30 min

Saturday, November 24

2:00p: Turkey Waddle Burn off that Thanksgiving meal with an easy stroll around Trail 8. We'll look for animal tracks and admire the wintering birds. Binoculars recommended. 1 hr

Saturday, December 1

1:00p: Popsicle Reindeer Ornaments This is a simple tree ornament that children of all ages enjoy creating. Make a herd to take home or give away as gifts! 1 hr

Saturday, December 8

11:00a: Pinecone Birdfeeders Help the birds prepare for winter with a seedy snack. Make your own birdfeeder to take home! This craft is safe for patrons with peanut allergies. 30 min

Saturday, December 15

11:00a: Magic Reindeer Food Don't forget to feed Santa's Reindeer! The Naturalist has a reindeer food recipe that they are sure to love, and the wintering birds enjoy it too! Take home your own magic food to sprinkle outside for the reindeer and birds! 30 min

2:00p: Winter Track Walk Join the Naturalist for a short walk around the Stanley Schoolhouse to look for different animal tracks in the snow. Then we'll make our own animal tracks from dough to take home! 45 min

Saturday, December 29

The Huff Ultra-Marathon 50k Run: Contact the Park Office for Race Information. 636-2654

Tuesday, January 1

Save the Date! First Day Hike